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End in sight?

U.S. Democratic presidential hopeful Barack Obama takes the stage at a rally last night in Des Moines, Iowa. Obama was poised to win the Oregon primary while Hillary Clinton won in Kentucky. Obama's victory will move him closer to the U.S. Democratic presidential nomination. Story, page 8.

Critics fear C-51

New bill would modernize Food and Drugs Act

proposed changes

» Among proposed changes in Bill C-51 are greater penalties for rule-breakers, power for the health minister to recall unsafe drug products, and improved safety of all products.

Every week, Daniel Chiang, a nutritionist and clinic owner at the Inspired Life Health Centre on Danforth Avenue, treats more than a dozen patients, offering them "alternative medicine options" to help heal ailments ranging from the flu to digestive problems.

Sometimes, he suggests home remedies; other times it may be a nutritional supplement. He has always been able to recommend or suggest as he chooses. But now he worries this could change with Bill C-51, legislation — making its way through Parliament — that will modernize the Food and Drugs Act for the first time in more than 50 years.

"There is a lot of uncertainty around the bill and how it will impact access to natural health products. No one seems to be quite sure," Chiang said. The confusion has generated controversy. Earlier this month, hundreds of people turned up at rallies across the country to protest the bill.

The Food and Drugs Act regulates the production, transport and sale of food, drugs, contraceptive devices and cosmetics, with a focus on ensuring products are safe, ingredients are disclosed and there are no false or exaggerated health claims on the product label.

But critics — who have been carefully monitoring the progress of the bill, which is awaiting second reading — fear changes to the act will restrict access to natural health products, delay their approval and give the health ministry unprecedented powers of enforcement.

Critics fear the ministry would be able to suspend or cancel clinical trials, disclose and demand confidential information, and impose costly fines for minor infractions — with no mention of an appeal process after such decisions. Maximum fines for an indictable offence under the act could increase from $5,000 to as much as $5 million.

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Crackdown on idling cars

Bylaw officers hit streets this week to track offenders

Toronto is talking tough again about nailing drivers who let their vehicle engines idle unnecessarily.

Ten bylaw officers will be on the streets all week ticketing motorists who let their vehicles idle for more than three minutes. The fine: $100 plus a $25 provincial surcharge.

The city insists the campaign is more of an education campaign than an enforcement blitz.

And going on past practice, that's probably a good thing — because the odds of getting ticketed are slim, with tickets dwindling down from 123 in 2003 to just 33 last year.

The chance of getting caught at any other time is close to nil. For one thing, the bylaw is only enforced when the temperature is between 5 C and 27 C.

Most of the time, bylaw enforcement officers are busy with duties other than watching to see whether a vehicle idles more than three minutes.

The bylaw doesn't apply to emergency and TTC vehicles.

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Mayor David Miller announces the launch of the Toronto Bike Union in front of city hall yesterday. The member-based union will promote cycling and health in the city.

Bike union 'strong voice' for cyclists

It is the perfect storm for cyclists. Climate change, obesity and traffic congestion are persuading more of us to view cycling as a legitimate mode of transportation rather than just recreation.

Yesterday, those conditions converged with the launch of the Toronto Cyclists Union and a $5-million Metrolinx program designed to make biking and public transit more compatible.

Rick Conroy, of the new cycling union, said his volunteers want to provide "a strong, unified voice advocating for the rights of all ages and all types of cyclists."

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Board expected to spend on security

Toronto's public board is expected to spend $4 million this fall to implement the first phase of its plan to improve safety and promote a "culture of respect" in its schools.

The plan — which calls for increased police presence in schools, better ways to deal with student-on-student sexual assault as well as more, and higher-tech, security cameras — is the Toronto District School Board's response to the report of a safety panel it commissioned after the shooting death of Jordan Manners a year ago at C.W. Jefferys.

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funding

» Toronto board chair John Campbell said it will find the money for the first of three phases of the report within existing funding from the province.

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» **SAFETY** The City of Toronto was slapped with 39 orders to correct unsafe working conditions in the second half of 2007, a record that prompted Mayor David Miller to slam the way the city is being managed. Orders issued by Ontario's Ministry of Labour included deficiencies in excavations, guardrails, step ladders and scaffolding.

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Mom not criminally responsible in drownings

A Markham mother was found not criminally responsible for drowning her two daughters as she believed she was saving them from a life of earthly misery.

"This is an unspeakably tragic case," Justice Michael Brown ruled yesterday in the Ontario Superior Court of Justice in Newmarket in the second-degree murder trial of Sivananthi Elango, 33.

Elango told psychiatrists and nurses she drowned her daughters Renu, 2½, and Movlika, 3 months, in March 2006 in the bathtub of their home because she wanted to bring them with her to heaven.

Elango was tried by the judge, with no jury. Brown ruled Elango be held in custody so she could have a hearing before the Ontario Review Board in the next 45 days. The board has the power to determine if she should be held in custody. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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The SIU look over the scene on Kingston Road yesterday following a shooting involving York Regional Police. A shot was fired when police tried to make a drug arrest.

SIU probes shooting

Two men in hospital after east-end bust

Undercover police officers shot one man and wrestled another to the ground at a noon-hour drug bust in east Toronto.

The province's Special Investigations Unit is probing yesterday's incident, which sent both men to hospital with non-life-threatening injuries.

The investigation began in York Region, but eventually the police officers tracked two suspects to the corner of Orchard Park Drive and Kingston Road, just east of Morningside Avenue.

Witnesses said a man on a bike — believed to be in his late teens — and a 22-year-old man in a van met near Orchard Park Drive when plainclothes officers from York Region arrived on the scene.

The two split up. The van disappeared down one street, while the man on the bike headed west on Kingston Road.

Despite being shot in the chest, the driver sped away and later turned up at Rouge Valley-Centenary hospital with a "superficial" wound.

The other man also went to hospital with "cuts and bruises" received during the skirmish, investigators said.

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» **TRAVEL** Porter Airlines says it is revamping its schedule of flights to Newark, N.J., following a request to reduce its weekday service to the city. U.S. aviation officials said Toronto-based Porter must cut four of 14 daily trips to Newark to reduce congestion and delays at the U.S. airport. Porter says as of June 20 it will offer six return weekday flights, three on Saturday and five on Sunday for a total of 38 flights per week instead of the current 40.

» **COURT** The trial for a Durham-area farmer seeking the right to sell raw milk has been postponed until the fall. Michael Schmidt was supposed to go to trial in Newmarket this week to face 20 charges related to illegally selling raw milk.

» **CHARGES** A 49-year-old Vaughan man has been charged for allegedly sexually assaulting children at a wave pool. York Regional Police say patrons and staff at the Wave Pool in Richmond Hill saw a man inappropriately touching children in the water on Sunday.

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Canada has slipped out of the top 10 Global Peace Index list of the most peaceful countries. Ranked eighth last year, Canada is 11th this year because of the Afghan mission and the addition of 19 more countries to the list. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Premier shopping for Italian car deal

McGuinty wants Fiat to open plant in Ontario

Canadian at Fiat's helm

» While McGuinty declined to say who he is meeting at Fiat, the company's CEO is Sergio Marchionne, an Italian-Canadian raised in Toronto and educated here and in Windsor.

Some tourists go to Italy for great deals on Gucci or Prada garb, but Premier Dalton McGuinty is hoping to bring back a far more valuable souvenir.

McGuinty is meeting today in Turin with senior officials from auto giant Fiat in a bid to secure a new car plant that would aid Ontario's struggling manufacturing sector.

"We've heard that Fiat has at least a high-level interest in a new North American assembly plant, so I'm going to meet with them directly, let them know that if they are contemplating doing that, we are very interested and we bring a lot to the table," the premier said in London.

"I know that there's lots of competition. We're just going to go there and give it our best shot. We'll see what comes from that." TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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» **SENTENCE** A 15-year-old Nova Scotia girl has been spared an adult sentence for her role in the beating and torture of a teenaged girl. The girl from Bedford has been sentenced to the maximum of two years. THE CANADIAN PRESS

China accepts rescue team

Members of a Canadian rescue team plan to return to China after initially being refused permission to enter the area devastated by an earthquake.

The searchers from Alberta returned home from Hong Kong late Monday because they couldn't get the necessary visas.

Leader Marcel Schur was told yesterday that Chinese officials have cleared up bureaucratic red tape and his team is free to travel to Sichuan. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Vancouver **Speed cuber**

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Competitive "speed cuber" Hong Chen tries to solve a Rubik's Cube blindfolded at his Burnaby, B.C., home. Chen owns a collection of 27 cubes. The first Pacific Northwestern competition will be held in Vancouver on June 14.

Withdraw immigration changes, panel urges

input

» The 12-member, all-party committee had been asked by Parliament for input on Bill C-50 in light of a public outcry.

A Commons committee on immigration is urging the federal government to withdraw controversial immigration amendments from the upcoming budget bill to ensure proper debate.

Their concerns include worries the changes would not address the backlog because they apply only to new applications and Immigration Minister Diane Finley's discretionary power to prioritize and dispose of applications lacks transparency and creates uncertainty for prospective immigrants. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

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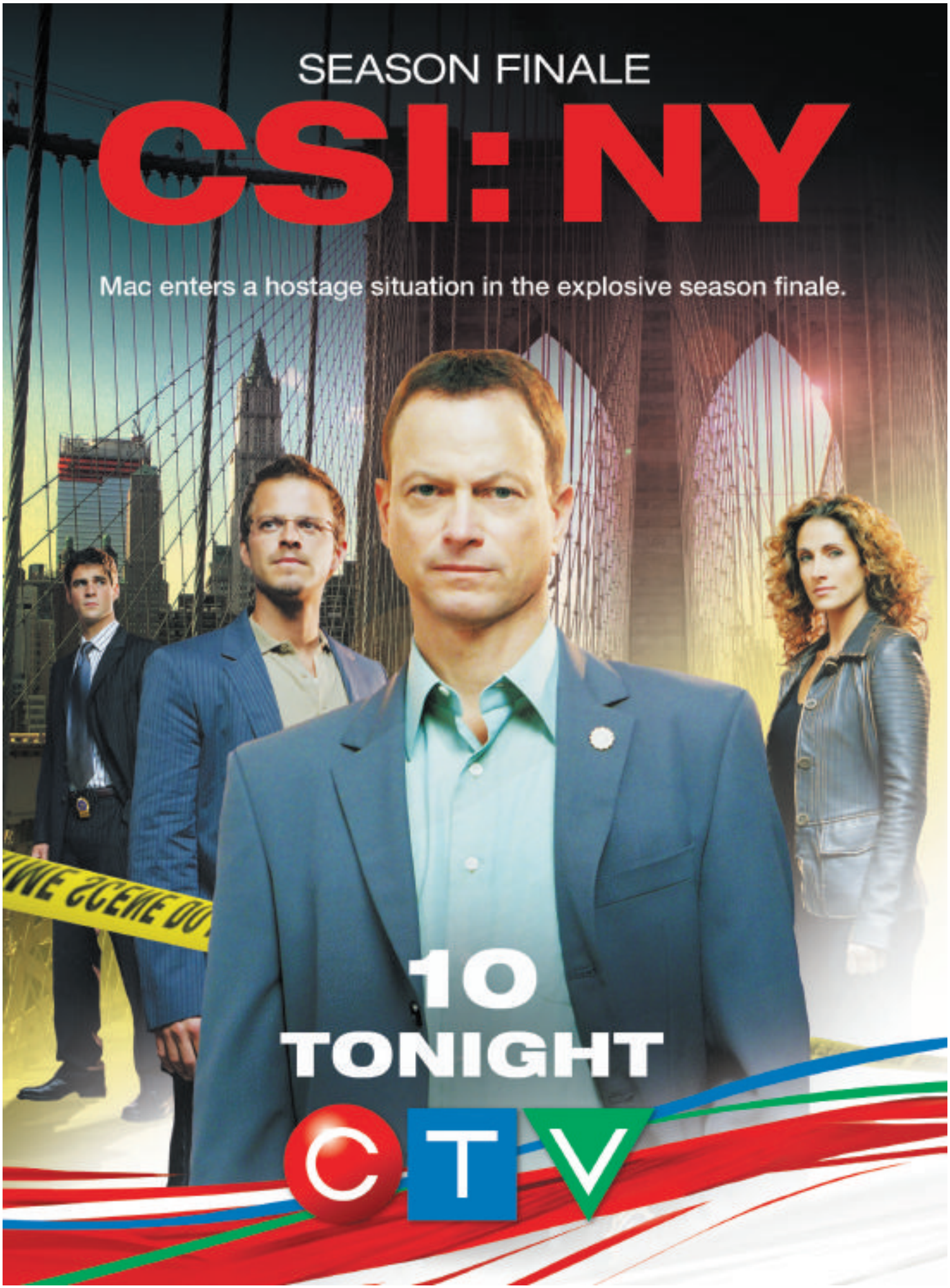
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Mexican police say a donkey was locked up at a local jail that normally holds people for public drunkenness and other disturbances after it bit and kicked two men near a ranch in Chiapas state. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Iraqi troops take over Sadr City

Some 10,000 Iraqi troops fanned out in Baghdad's Sadr City yesterday, taking positions on main roads, rooftops and near hospitals in an attempt to establish government control in the Shiite militia enclave for the first time since Saddam Hussein's ouster.

Success relies on whether a truce holds with fighters loyal to anti-U.S. Shiite cleric Muqtada al-Sadr.

apology

» Lt. Gen. Lloyd J. Austin III, the No. 2 U.S. commander in Iraq, apologized to Iraq's prime minister and vice-president on Monday to soothe anger over an American sniper using a copy of the Qur'an for target practice.

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China faces challenges

Millions left homeless after deadly quake

China is grappling with the next massive task in the aftermath of its earthquake: How to shelter the five million people left homeless.

Many were living yesterday in tent cities like one at the base of Qianfo mountain in the disaster zone. The makeshift city offers some stability, along with food and medical care, to those whose lives were upended.

"After the quake, we couldn't sleep for five days. We were really, really afraid," said Chen Shigui, 55, a weathered farmer who climbed for two days with his wife and injured father to reach the camp from their mountain village.

The government issued an urgent appeal yesterday for tents and brought in the first foreign teams of doctors and field hospitals, some of whom were swapping out with overseas search-and-rescue specialists.

The disaster's confirmed death toll rose to more than 40,000, with at least 10,000 more deaths expected.

found alive

» Rescuers pulled a 31-year-old man to safety yesterday after he was trapped for more than a week in a flattened power plant near the epicentre of last week's earthquake. Another man was found alive Monday.

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Blind U.S. currency ruling

REED SAXON/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Mitch Pomerantz, president of the American Council of the Blind, holds U.S. currency he can't tell apart yesterday. Since all U.S. paper money feels pretty much the same, the government is denying blind people meaningful access to the currency, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit ruled yesterday.

Obama poised to pull ahead

Senator close to getting Democratic nod

Hillary Clinton bagged a big win last night in Kentucky that did little to slow front-runner Barack Obama, who anticipated reaching a milestone by capturing a majority of regular delegates for the Democratic nomination.

While Clinton was winning Kentucky by 35 percentage points, Obama was favoured in Oregon where he drew the largest crowd of his campaign — 75,000 — on Sunday in Portland.

Race played a decisive role in Kentucky, where 90 per cent of voters were white. Clinton dominated in virtually all categories of those voters, including men, women and people of all ages, incomes and education levels.

But Obama held appeal in Oregon, also a largely white state, but one that's more affluent with a more liberal Democratic base.

number

» Neither candidate has reached the magic number of 2,026 delegates to the party's convention in August required to win the nomination.

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»news In Brief

» **TUMOUR** U.S. Senator Edward M. Kennedy was diagnosed with a cancerous brain tumour yesterday. Some experts gave the liberal lion less than a year to live. Doctors discovered the tumour after the 76-year-old senator and sole surviving son of the most storied American political family suffered a seizure over the weekend.

» **MYANMAR** The UN's top humanitarian official made a fresh appeal to Myanmar's military government to allow in more foreign aid for cyclone survivors yesterday as the country began three days of mourning for the 134,000 dead and missing.

» **MIDEAST** Israeli aircraft launched several attacks in the Gaza Strip yesterday, killing at least three people, including a Hamas fighter and a 13-year-old boy.

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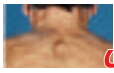

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Just talk, no change

Gas prices fail to spur change in driving habits

demand still high

» Garey Aitken, an energy analyst with Bissett Income Fund, said demand for fuel is not retreating as much as some would expect, with prices as high as they are.

Gasoline prices in Canada have been creeping up to close to $1.30 a litre over the past week, and that has Canadians talking about changing their driving habits.

But right now, talking is about all they're doing, said Scott Wilson of the Alberta Motor Association.

For AMA members, $1.45 a litre seems to be the tipping point at which drivers would make big changes in the way they consume gas, he said.

But Jason Toews, the co-founder of Gasbuddy.com, said he expects the high gas prices to have a big impact on summer travel plans.

He said he expects Canadian gasoline prices to average between $1.35 and $1.45 during the summer before falling to around $1.10 in September.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Fewer visitors travel to Canada

Travel to Canada hit a record low for the fifth straight month in March.

Statistics Canada reports foreign visitors made 2.3 million trips to Canada in March, the lowest since record keeping started in 1972. That's a 12.4 per cent drop from a year earlier.

U.S. residents made only 730,000 same-day car trips to Canada in March, down 2.5 per cent from the previous month.

Overseas travellers to Canada made 384,000 trips in March, down 3 per cent.

Meanwhile, the number of Canadian trips abroad rose 1.4 per cent to almost 4.5 million, the vast majority (85 per cent) to the United States.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

»news
In Brief

» **FISHY SPA** Visitors, above, try "doctor fish" treatment for clearer skins where hundreds of Garra rufa nibble on their hands at a trade fair for beauty and spa industries in Tokyo yesterday. The market is targeting new home spa treatment kits.

» **BIO-THIEVES** Restaurants from Berkeley, Calif., to Sedgwick, Kan., are reporting thefts of used cooking oil worth thousands of dollars by rustlers who are refining it into barrels of biofuel in backyard stills. U.S. production of legal biodiesel reached 1.9 billion litres last year. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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sports

Five-time Canadian ice dance champions Marie-France Dubreuil and Patrice Lauzon, left, announced their retirement from competitive skating yesterday ahead of their upcoming wedding this summer. METRO NEWS SERVICES

Jays fall flat at home

T.O. fails to cash in with bases loaded 3 times

ANGELS 3 BLUE JAYS 1

After what seemed like a week and a half on the road, the Blue Jays finally got back to the friendly confines last night.

Better they should be scoring five runs a game in Philadelphia.

Leaving the bases loaded three times — the eighth and ninth innings included — the Jays bowed 3-1 to the L.A. Angels last night in the painful opener to a seven-game homestand.

Thwarted by Anaheim's John Lackey for a strong seven innings, the Jays had the bases loaded and none out in the eighth; bases loaded and one down in the ninth but, in both cases, got zip.

Lackey

In all, they went 0-for-9 with runners in scoring positions, stranding 11 men in all and fell back below .500 (23-24) after a big 6-1 finish to a trying road-trip.

Lackey, who started the season on the DL with a strained triceps, checked the Jays on seven hits and a run over seven innings in only his second start of the season.

Things brightened immediately on Lackey's departure — more particularly, with the arrival of reliever Scot Shields.

Aaron Hill, for instance, opened the eighth with a single. Then Alex Rios took a walk and Scott Rolen got a single out of a ball that steamed past third baseman Robb Quinlan.

This was going to be good: Bases loaded, none out, the 5-6-7 hitters ready to light it up.

Only, Shields slipped a called third strike past Matt Stairs and Shannon Stewart bounced into an inning-ending double-play off the next pitch.

Against Francisco Rodriguez in the ninth … well, it should've been all back to doom-and-gloom again but, after a quick out, Rodriguez walked the bases full.

There's where Hill popped to third and Rios, after a 3-0 count to start off with, ended up taking a called third strike to end it. TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Wings favoured by oddsmakers

YORK REPORT
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They've won 16 consecutive games on their home ice, their top gunners — **Marion Hossa**, **Evgeni Malkin** and **Sidney Crosby** — have been on fire and their goaltender, **Marc-Andre Fleury**, has never been more efficient. And, yet, the Pittsburgh Penguins stand no chance in the Stanley Cup championship series.

This, at least, is the view of professional oddsmakers, who've established the Pens as sizeable underdogs against the Detroit Red Wings for the NHL final, which begins Saturday.

The Wings are $1.60 favourites, meaning wagerers who take them must lay that much to win a dollar. If the Pens prevail, bettors would collect $1.40 for every dollar they placed on them.

My hunch: The Wings take the series in seven. But the Pens, if they re-sign Hossa, win the next three Cups in a row.

» Doesn't the NHL's schedule really seem odd now, in retrospect, since the Wings and Pens never met even once during the regular season?

I mean, seriously, how far apart are Detroit and Pittsburgh? A one-hour flight?

» From the mighty-have-fallen department comes word from NBA sources that the Raptors are seeking to dump their previously highly touted forward, **Andrea Bargnani**, and have had significant trade discussions about him with the New Jersey Nets, who also covet the Denver Nuggets' **Carmelo Anthony** and **Marcus Camby** and the Phoenix Suns' **Leandro Barbosa** and **Boris Diaw** … Brace yourself for this: **Tim Donaghy**, the ex-NBA referee who's been busted for shaving points and gambling on games, is about to testify that other officials, coaches and even players were aware of, and participated in, fixes … Let's knock off all the dissing of the Los Angeles Lakers' **Kobe Bryant**, shall we? Kobe quietly went out the other day and bought each of his teammates $9,000 US Swiss watches. Nice gesture by the MVP.

» And, speaking of unfairly criticized MVPs, the New York Yankees went 6-11 while **Alex Rodriguez** was injured … The San Diego Padres are wretched and about to start dealing players, including future Hall of Famer **Greg Maddux**, who'll likely return to the Atlanta Braves' pitching staff … The Seattle Mariners, also inept, are desperate and plucked a Blue Jays farmhand, 27-year-old **Tracy Thorpe**, off the waiver wire. Thorpe was 2-0 with four saves in 13 appearances for Triple A Syracuse … And then there's ex-slugger **Jose Canseco**, whose latest steroids-in-baseball book isn't exactly a best-seller and who lost his home after missing mortgage payments. Sadly, he's about to become a so-called celebrity boxer — $5,000 per appearance.

»sports In Brief

» **MLB** Mike Piazza is retiring from baseball following a 16-season career in which he became one of the top-hitting catchers in history. Piazza finished with a .308 career average, 427 home runs and 1,335 RBIs for the Los Angeles Dodgers (1992-98), Florida (1998), New York Mets (1998-05), San Diego (2006) and Oakland (2007).

» **HOCKEY** The Gatineau Olympiques were eliminated from the 2008 Memorial Cup following a 3-1 loss to the Spokane Chiefs last night in Kitchener, Ont. The loss drops Gatineau to 0-3 and sets up a semifinal between the Belleville Bulls and the host Rangers on Friday night.

METRO NEWS SERVICES

RICHARD LAUTENS/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Toronto Marlies forward Colin Murphy battles Chicago defenceman Boris Valabik for the rebound as Wolves goaltender Arturs Kulda makes a stop last night at Ricoh Coliseum.

Marlies pushed to brink

Late goal puts T.O. in line to be swept

WOLVES 4 MARLIES 1

The Toronto Marlies are down to their last life.

The Marlies were defeated 4-1 last night by the Chicago Wolves in Game 3 of the Western Conference final series.

Toronto, which overcame a 3-1 deficit in the last round, now trails the series 3-0 and will try to stave off elimination in Game 4 tonight at home.

The issue was in doubt until Chicago defenceman Joel Kwiatkowski scored the insurance marker on a power play halfway through the third to the disappointment of 2,573 fans at Ricoh Coliseum.

Nathan Oystrick, Steve Martins and Jordan LaVallee also beat Toronto goalie Scott Clemmensen, while Chris Harrington answered for the Marlies. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Bulls charge up to top pick

Chicago vaults 8 spots in lottery

The Chicago Bulls won the NBA's draft lottery last night, giving them the right to choose between star freshmen Michael Beasley and Derrick Rose.

Coming off a miserable season and still without a coach, the Bulls vaulted from the No. 9 spot, where they had just a 1.7 per cent chance of landing the top choice.

They will almost certainly choose between Beasley, the Kansas State forward who averaged 26.5 points and an NCAA-best 12.5 rebounds, or Rose, the point guard who carried Memphis within minutes of the national title.

Beasley

"After this season, we needed a break and I think we just got one tonight," said Steve Schanwald, the Bulls' executive vice-president of business operations who represented them on the podium.

The Miami Heat, who had a 25 per cent chance of landing the top pick thanks to their NBA-worst 15-67 record, fell to second. The Minnesota Timberwolves will go third.

The NBA draft will be held June 26 in New York.

The Seattle SuperSonics, who moved up to No. 2 last year to pick Rookie of the Year Kevin Durant, fell from second to fourth. Memphis will pick fifth, followed by New York, the Los Angeles Clippers, Milwaukee, Charlotte and New Jersey.

The Raptors pick 17th overall after finishing 41-41.

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Barkley pays off gambling debts

Ex-NBA star owed $400,000 to casino

Former NBA star Charles Barkley has retired his debt to a Las Vegas Strip casino that sued him after he failed to pay $400,000 US in gambling loans.

Barkley

But the civil lawsuit remains open, and it's going to cost Sir Charles $40,000 more to get out of the legal doghouse.

Barkley, a basketball analyst for Turner Network Television, said in a statement released yesterday by TNT that he didn't know about the district attorney's $40,000 processing fee, but intends to pay it.

"True to my word, I sent a $400,000 cashier's check overnight to Wynn Las Vegas, which they confirmed they received," Barkley said. "I was unaware of the additional 10 per cent processing fee from the district attorney's office and will make restitution on that promptly."

The 45-year-old Barkley said he would stop gambling, at least for a while.

"For right now, the next year or two, I'm not going to gamble," he said. "Just because I can afford to lose money doesn't mean I should do it."

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» **NFL** NFL owners voted unanimously yesterday to end their labour agreement with the players' union in 2011. The league and union, however, insisted the next three seasons won't be interrupted by a contract dispute and both sides are working toward a new deal.

» **NFL** The Dallas Cowboys signed running back Marion Barber and cornerback Terence Newman to long-term extensions yesterday. Barber received a $45-million US, seven-year contract, while Newman's deal is six years and over $50 million.

» **GOLF** The Annika Sorenstam farewell tour will include a stop in Canada. The 37-year-old, who announced last week that she plans to retire at the end of the season, said yesterday she will play at the Aug. 14-17 CN Canadian Women's Open at the Ottawa Hunt and Golf Club.

» **TENNIS** Former No. 1 Lindsay Davenport has pulled out of the French Open, the only Grand Slam singles event she hasn't won. Tournament organizers said yesterday the 31-year-old withdrew for "personal reasons."

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SCOREBOARD

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STANLEY CUP FINAL
PITTSBURGH VS. DETROIT
Game 1 — Saturday
Pittsburgh at Detroit, 8
Game 2 — Monday
Pittsburgh at Detroit, 8
Game 3 — Wednesday, May 28
Detroit at Pittsburgh, 8
Game 4 — Saturday, May 31
Detroit at Pittsburgh, 8
*Game 5 — Monday, June 2
Pittsburgh at Detroit, 8
*Game 6 — Wednesday, June 4
Detroit at Pittsburgh, 8
*Game 7 — Saturday, June 7
Pittsburgh at Detroit, 8
(* – if necessary)

NBA

CONFERENCE FINALS
EASTERN CONFERENCE
BOSTON VS. DETROIT
Game 1 — Last night
Detroit at Boston
Game 2 — Tomorrow
Detroit at Boston, 8:30
Game 3 — Saturday
Boston at Detroit, 8:30
Game 4 — Monday
Boston at Detroit, 8:30
*Game 5 — Wednesday, May 28
Detroit at Boston, 8:30
*Game 6 — Friday, May 30
Boston at Detroit, 8:30
*Game 7 — Sunday, June 1
Detroit at Boston, 8:30
WESTERN CONFERENCE
L.A. LAKERS VS. SAN ANTONIO
Game 1 — Tonight
San Antonio at L.A. Lakers, 9
Game 2 — Friday
San Antonio at L.A. Lakers, 9
Game 3 — Sunday
L.A. Lakers at San Antonio, 8:30
Game 4 — Tuesday, May 27
L.A. Lakers at San Antonio, 9
*Game 5 — Thursday, May 29
San Antonio at L.A. Lakers, 9
*Game 6 — Saturday, May 31
L.A. Lakers at San Antonio, 8:30
*Game 7 — Monday, June 2
San Antonio at L.A. Lakers, 9
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YESTERDAY'S RESULTS
AMERICAN LEAGUE
L.A. Angels 3 **TORONTO** 1
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Boston 2 Kansas City 1
Detroit 12 Seattle 8
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Cleveland at Chicago W. Sox
Tampa Bay at Oakland
NATIONAL LEAGUE
Atlanta 6 N.Y. Mets 1 (Gm 1)
Florida 4 Arizona 3
Houston 4 Chicago Cubs 2
Milwaukee 7 Pittsburgh 2
Philadelphia 1 Washington 0
N.Y. Mets at Atlanta (Gm 2)
San Francisco at Colorado
St. Louis at San Diego
Cincinnati at L.A. Dodgers
TODAY'S GAMES
AMERICAN LEAGUE
Tampa Bay at Oakland, 3:35
Seattle at Detroit, 7:05
Kansas City at Boston, 7:05
Baltimore at N.Y. Yankees, 7:05
L.A. Angels at **TORONTO**, 7:07
Texas at Minnesota, 8:10
Cleveland at Chicago W. Sox, 8:11
NATIONAL LEAGUE
San Francisco at Colorado, 3:05
Milwaukee at Pittsburgh, 7:05
N.Y. Mets at Atlanta, 7:10
Arizona at Florida, 7:10
Philadelphia at Washington, 7:10
Chicago Cubs at Houston, 8:05
St. Louis at San Diego, 10:05
Cincinnati at L.A. Dodgers, 10:10

AHL

AMERICAN HOCKEY LEAGUE PLAYOFF GAMES FEATURING THE MARLIES:
TORONTO VS. CHICAGO
Game 3 — Last night
TORONTO 4 Chicago 1
Game 4 — Tonight
Chicago at **TORONTO**, 7:30
(Chicago leads series 3-0)

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SCHEDULE AND SCORES FOR THE CANADIAN HOCKEY LEAGUE CHAMPIONSHIP IN KITCHENER:
ROUND-ROBIN
Last night
Spokane 3 Gatineau 1
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Saturn's perky performer

Belgian-made Astra a neat little road-runner

By **MICHAEL BANOVSKY**
for Metro Toronto

Instead of fighting the imports with American innovation, Saturn is battling back with the Belgian-made Astra.

Much is made about the original philosophy behind GM's Saturn division, which was to lure import buyers from their Corollas and Civics and get them into Saturn's SLs and SCs.

Combined with plastic body panels and no-haggle pricing, General Motors thought it hand created a winner. But the fact always remained that Saturn's products lacked both an American identity and Japanese reliability. It was like going for sushi at McDonald's. Still, the brand ended up outliving Oldsmobile and ditching its oft-touted plastic body panels.

Now, instead of fighting the imports with American innovation, Saturn is battling back with a few imports of its own. The Belgian-made Astra never suffers from a lack of ride comfort or handling over its peers, and the only complaint you'll ever hear handling-wise is from stoplight racers with body piercings and noise violations. But come on. This is an economy car … and a damn fine-handling one at that.

Between corners, there's sufficient power to crush eggs after grocery shopping. Now, if you decide to read other reviews on the car, the tester will probably say power from the 1.8-litre Ecotec four-cylinder engine is merely adequate. Not so. It's just as much as you'll ever need, with a good torque spread and well-spaced gear ratios to chuff you along.

Top-notch build quality and high-grade plastics combine with clean-cut European style to make the interior one of the best in its class. You'll even notice that an impressive trip computer sits smack in the middle of the car's dash. In lesser models, the information and screen is toned down a notch, but in XR trim with the top-grade stereo, it gets as advanced as a graphic equalizer! The final interesting feature — and class exclusive — is an optional dual-panel sunroof that lightens the interior, sports a large opening and features a sunshade.

2008 Saturn Astra 5-door XE

- Type: Compact 5-pass. hatchback FWD
- Price: $17,900
- Engine: 1.8L L4 DOHC
- HP: 138 @ 6,300 rpm
- Torque: 125 @ 3,800 rpm

Highlights:

- Style
- Hidden practicality
- European build quality
- Standard safety features

Saturn is billing the three-door Astra as the upscale model, with the five-door as the entry-level product at just $17,900 for an XE without air conditioning. The only three-door trim level is XR, for $21,225. Fully loaded, the three-door even comes with 18-inch wheels.

Those shopping for a small car should immediately take a look at the Astra. I've said before that it should make a big impact in Canada. It will. But moreover, strong sales may convince other manufacturers with impressive European and Japanese products to enter the Canadian market with previously unseen technologies. As it stands now, the Astra is a great car and hangs with the class leaders as the final chapter in Saturn's product renaissance.

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A survey by the Rubber Manufacturers Association shows few vehicle owners pay adequate attention to their tires.

Few people tire smart: Survey

Under-inflated tires increase driving risks, waste fuel and cause tires to wear out faster but few vehicle owners pay adequate attention to their tires.

A national survey by the Rubber Manufacturers Association showed 85 per cent of American drivers do not properly check tire inflation pressure and there's no reason to think Canadian drivers are any better.

"Record high gas prices should be an incentive for motorists to take every step possible to help make their cars and their money go further," said Dan Zielinski, RMA senior vice-president, public affairs. "While our survey found that 61 per cent of motorists agreed that checking tire pressure is very important to maximizing fuel economy, only one in seven drivers properly perform this easy task."

recommendation

» The RMA recommends tire pressure be checked at least once every month with a tire gauge.

Checking tires is not only a fuel saving tip, it can also be life saving. According to the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), under-inflated tires contribute to 660 fatalities and 33,000 injuries each year in the United States alone.

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Luxury SUV with a twist

Acura RDX has sights trained on competitors

By **MICHAEL BANOVSKY**
for Metro Toronto

Until a short while ago, if you thought your life needed a premium compact SUV you could buy a BMW X3 or ... well, there weren't any real alternatives.

Currently, the X3 stands beside Infiniti's EX35, the Land Rover LR2, upcoming Volvo XC60, and so on.

Now, Acura has hopped into the arena.

The new Acura RDX has its sights trained on the X3 and similar entries in what is expected to become a fast-growing niche in the vast SUV/CUV pantheon.

And why not? For a long time, drivers have been craving a utilitarian vehicle that doesn't look like a wagon or guzzle gas like a full-sized SUV.

Like all Acuras, the RDX is based on a car-like, front-drive architecture, but it adopts the Super-Handling-AWD concept first seen on the flagship RL luxury sedan. This street-oriented system (no transfer case, no differential locks) not only can vary torque distribution from 90/10 per cent front/rear to 30/70 per cent, it can also speed up the outside rear wheel during cornering.

The net result is an SUV that — riding on 18-inch wheels and with near-50/50 weight distribution — can corner like a rear-drive sport sedan.

One price you pay for this, however, is a stiff ride.

The 2.3-litre "four" under the RDX's hood is Acura's first turbo unit. It's good for 240 hp, and zero to100 km/h in 8.0 seconds. The engine isn't as musical, however, as we usually expect in an Acura.

Athletic road moves don't come at the expense of utility. The driver gets a commanding seating position, and there's ample room for passengers and cargo. An optional Technology Package adds GPS navigation, a rear-view camera and super-duper audio.

The interior is simply a nice place to be whether or not you opt for the high-zoot Tech package or stick with a base model rig. Sleek black plastics and metal-look accents make it a great place to spend a road trip.

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Mustang

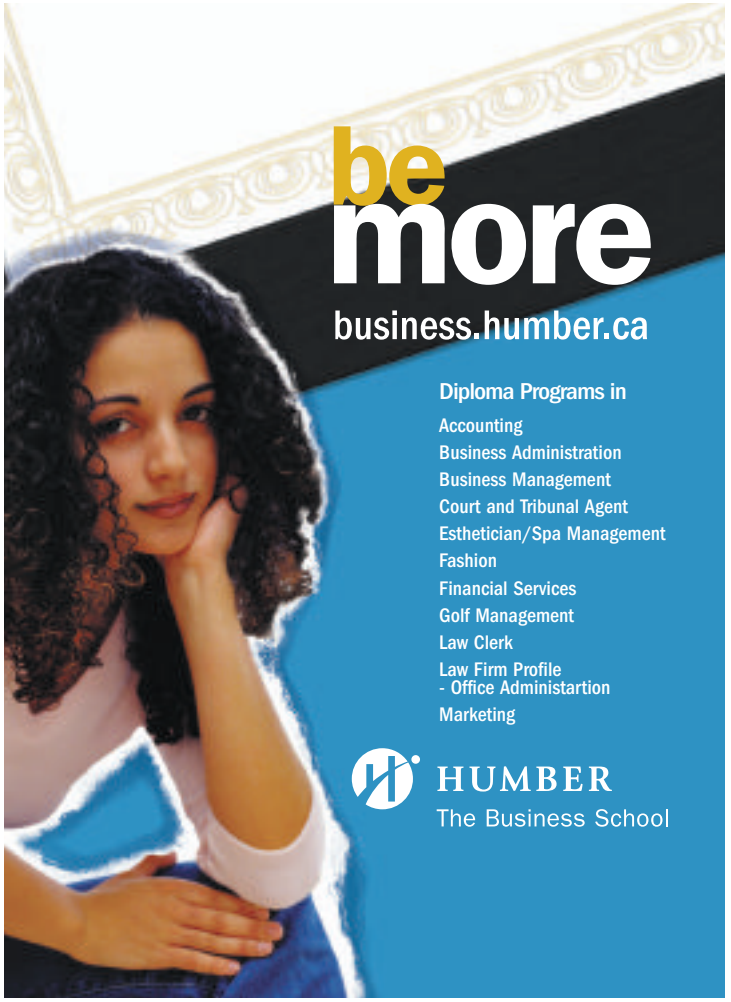
Ford brand hits 9-million mark

MILESTONE Iowa farmer Thomas Krumm went to his local Ford dealer recently to order a Mustang GT convertible and unwittingly ordered a piece of history — his Mustang is the 9-millionth built by the Ford Motor Company.

He discovered that on May 6 when he picked up his milestone Mustang at the local dealer in Story City, Iowa.

The Mustang is Ford's longest-running nameplate. It was introduced on April 17, 1964, at the New York World's Fair and went on to become one of the most widely recognized vehicles in the world. Today, one of every two sports cars sold in America is a Mustang.

Sales hit an astounding 419,000 in its first 12 months on the market, and topped the 1-million mark in its first two years.



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John and Helen Taylor can attest to that. The couple, who hold the Guinness world record for fuel efficiency, set the record in 2006 when they averaged 52.1 miles per gallon in a record-setting road trip around the world. By using Shell "FuelStretch" tips, they were able to stretch the boundaries of fuel efficiency in their standard model Volkswagen Golf FSI 1.6.

"With the cost of vehicle ownership and car care growing every year, we all want to be more fuel efficient," says

Driving smoothly and keeping your engine well-tuned are some things you can do to avoid too many trips to the pump.

Mark Ferner, Shell fuels engineer and ASE-certified technician. "Using money-saving driving techniques and car care tips is an easy way to help get the most out of every gasoline purchase."

Here's how:

» Drive smoothly: Avoid heavy acceleration or braking. Speeding, rapid acceleration and braking can lower your gasoline mileage by 5 per cent around town and by 33 per cent at highway speeds.

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» Keep your engine well-tuned and repair any problems immediately.

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» Use cruise control on major roads and in free-flowing traffic.

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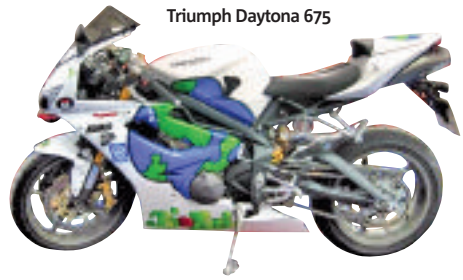

Triumph Daytona 675

Bike reaps fruits of apple-based biofuel

A Triumph Daytona 675 powered by bioethanol fuel recently reached an astonishing track speed of 255 km/h at a test facility in Bruntingthorpe, England.

The biofuel used for this groundbreaking initiative was produced by students from a local high school, using windfall apples.

Devised by a motorcycle magazine editor, "Project Fast Fruit" aimed to convert and run a high-performance vehicle on biofuel using only basic equipment. As such, the fuel was produced in a chemistry lab as part of a class project by students from the Prince William School in Oundle, Northamptonshire.

Triumph Motorcycles, the iconic British manufacturer, initially entered into the scheme some four months ago by providing its world leading Daytona 675 model as the test bike.

driven to succeed

» The successful final run was the result of four months of hard work — the school having fermented and distilled around 6,000 crushed apples while the magazine modified the Daytona's engine to run on bioethanol.

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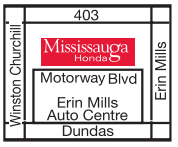

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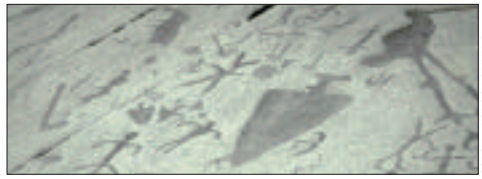

ONTARIO TOURISM PHOTOS

Pack up the car and take the kids on a road trip to see Discovery Harbour, above, or Petroglyphs Provincial Park, below, where white marble rock features more than 900 aboriginal carvings.

Escape from the ordinary

Road trips across Ontario range from historic to adventurous

Is the stress of the daily grind in the Big Smoke getting to you? Are you looking to get away from the city without spending too much cash? Consider looking no further than your own backyard to unwind and recharge your batteries. Ontario's tourism department has planned out a few driving routes for you and your family to see all the province has to offer. It may just be time for a road trip.

"We knew we had all of these great little places, but we didn't have a coherent way to present them," says Ontario Tourism's Helen Lovekin. "The routes help point out all the fun things to do in this province."

cottages & countryside

THIS 630-KILOMETRE route takes you up through the heart of cottage country, up Hwy. 48, around Lake Simcoe, through Algonquin Provincial Park, through Bancroft and Peterborough and back down. Pay a visit to the McMichael Canadian Art Collection, home to many works of the Group of Seven, the Ontario Provincial Police Museum and Petroglyphs Provincial Park — where white marble rock features more than 900 aboriginal carvings dating back hundreds of years.

scenic shorelines

ZIP DOWN Hwy. 3 along the north shore of Lake Erie through Talbotville and Windsor, up past Grand Bend and through London on this picturesque and historic 545-km route. Spots of note include Point Pelee, one of Canada's smallest national parks, and Uncle Tom's Cabin Historic Site in Dresden, which commemorates the life of Rev. Josiah Henson (a major source for the novel by Harriet Beecher Stowe) and his contributions to the Underground Railroad.

niagara to the grand

HEAD AROUND Lake Ontario on this 500-km trip, through Hamilton and St. Catharines, south along the U.S. border and west along Lake Erie, up through Brantford. What's not to like about this tourist Mecca that's ideal for the kids? See Niagara Falls up close on the Maid of the Mist, take the kids to Marineland, walk the Bruce Trail along the Niagara Escarpment or visit the homestead of Alexander Graham Bell in Brantford.

georgian bay coastal route

GO WEST past Collingwood, up through the Bruce Peninsula and across to Manitoulin Island, back down through Sudbury, Parry Sound and Penetanguishene in this 870-km odyssey for both the lover of history and nature. Feed your inner undersea explorer at Fathom Five National Marine Park, site of 22 historic shipwrecks, or recount Bobby Orr's storied NHL career at the Bobby Orr Hall of Fame in Parry Sound. Sites such as Discovery Harbour and Ste. Marie Among The Hurons — a mockup of a nearly 400-year-old Jesuit settlement — reflect Canada's multicultural past and present.

prospectors and polar bears

GOT A TASTE for something due north? Start at North Bay, go west towards Sudbury, then north on 144 and around through Cochrane, Temagami and back on this 880-km trek.

Country fans will find a gem at the Shania Twain Centre in Timmins, home to many awards earned and outfits worn by the music starlet. Enjoy a scenic cruise on Lake Nippissing on the Chief Commanda II.

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Family-friendly Ontario

Venues offer something for all

By **KATE CHAPPELL**
for Metro Toronto

OTTAWA TOURISM PHOTO

Saunders Farm in Munster, Ont., features the world's largest collection of hedge mazes.

As the summer season and the end of the school year loom, it is time for parents to start planning their family vacation — and there is no shortage of family-friendly venues within several hundred kilometres of Ottawa.

"A family-friendly activity is one that the whole family can participate in," says Misty Wade-Hovey, communications co-ordinator with Tourism Ottawa. "It should be memorable, interactive and hands-on."

For example, Saunders Farm in Munster, Ont., features the world's largest collection of hedge mazes, as well as a water park and tree forts. "The kids can run around and spend some energy," Wade-Hovey says.

In an attempt to facilitate the planning process, Wade-Hovey points out that Tourism Ottawa's website (*www.ottawatourism.ca*) features a family discovery package, as well as an event calender that indicates family-friendly activities. The family discovery package consists of a two-night stay at an area hotel, which is an initiative aimed at getting families to reconnect in an atmosphere close to home. The website includes a search function that allows parents to customize their search for local hotel rooms.

In the Kingston region, Tourism Kingston's Chris Whyman points to Fort Henry as the most attractive family-friendly site. At the historic site, children can dress up like soldiers and visit an education museum. In addition, there is no shortage of places for children to run around and release some energy, including climbing gymnasiums and beaches, city parks for picnicking and fishing holes. "The kids seem to love the beaches here," Whyman says.

There is also a ferry ride to Wolf Island that children seem to enjoy, Whyman adds. In Kingston, the 50-minute trolley ride is a popular way for families to tour the city, and of course, tours of the Thousand Islands.

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ONTARIO TOURISM PHOTO

Fun in the summer sun

Location key to renting a cottage

By **BRIAN TOWIE**
Metro Toronto

Pack up the beer, inflate the beach ball and pack up more beer. Cottage season is upon us again.

But like anything, getting the most out of your cottage visit entails a little bit of groundwork, and you've got some bushes to beat before you let the good times roll. Before you go, you should be figuring out where you want to be, who's coming with you and how much you're prepared to pay.

First you're going to have to rent a cottage, if you don't own one, and that can be big bucks. The starting price for a good one is $500 per week according to online directory Cottagesincanada.com. Some factors affecting price include cottage size, whether pets are allowed, and proximity to water.

Helen Lovekin, a media relations co-ordinator Ontario Tourism, says you'll get better rates across the province in spring and fall, or what she calls the "shoulder seasons." But when you're talking price — and that often means supply and demand — where you go can count for a lot.

"Wasaga Beach, Sauble Beach, Sand Banks Provincial Park, which is a beach — beaches are popular," says Lovekin. "But so are specific regions: Algonquin, Muskoka and Georgian Bay are iconographic and famous, and therefore in demand. The lesser known Kawarthas have housekeeping cottages on their own little wee islands, hidden lakes, great little towns and excellent ice cream, for more reasonable rates. The Grey-Bruce Peninsula is varied. Or, you could go north."

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Size, proximity to water and whether pets are allowed are just some of the factors affecting the price of a cottage rental.

When you've got your spot, ask what you can and should be taking with you, and what the protocols are in terms of cottage maintenance. The three Bs — boats, bicycles and beach balls — are sometimes included, but you might have to bring your own. Find out about the dumping and recycling procedures, and as much as this might gross you out, the septic tank, pump and sewer functions. You may want to bring some electrical fuses, just in case, suggests Lovekin.

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Marineland and Fort George, right, are not to be missed on a family trip to the Niagara Region.

Entertaining education

Learn about history in Niagara

By **KATHY BUCKWORTH**
for Metro Toronto

Along with the infamous houses of horror, wax museums and world-record venues along the main Niagara Falls strip, the Niagara Region has something for everyone.

Start your visit by feeling the spray of six million cubic feet of gushing water (every minute!) as you make your first stop in Niagara Falls — which is only 120 kilometres from Toronto's city centre. The mist will cool you off as you walk through the gardens, stop for a picnic lunch and catch a glimpse of the American Falls across the river. Check out the newest attraction at the Falls: The Fury. Visit *www.niagarasfury.com* to find out about this interactive multimedia experience exploring the formation of the falls.

Worried about waiting in line with squirmy kids? You needn't be. Nathalie Prezeau, author of Toronto Fun Places (*www.torontofunplaces.com*), says you can buy tickets in advance at the attractions' ticket booths and simply show up 15 minutes before the booked time slot.

Once you've tired the kids out, travel down the highway to visit Niagara-on-the-Lake to experience the beauty and taste of Ontario's largest fruit and wine growing region. Slip in a couple of quick wine tastings while the kids are eating fresh peaches, plums and berries, then take a stroll down the beautiful main street, where the kids are sure to discover the candy shop, and you'll have to drag mom out of the unique clothing and jewelry boutiques.

What's louder and filled with more battles than the backseat of your car? Fort George, which served as a British Headquarters during the war of 1812. Located on the Niagara River just minutes from Niagara-on-the-Lake, the music and artillery demonstrations will educate and entertain your own little soldiers.

End it with a stop at Marineland, where the rates drop later in the day, and the crowds have thinned out, to give even the littlest visitor a bird's eye view of the animals.

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If your love of travel is rivalled only by your passion for rocking out, plan a visit to one of the many open-air music festivals happening around the globe this summer. Here are 10 of the most hot and happening international festivals:

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SEEME: SeeMe (South-East European Music Event), to be held June 5-7 in Bulgaria's capital city Sofia, brings together big names in the electronic and dance music scene. Like the Miami Winter Music Conference, this festival has industry events, an exhibition and three nights of parties in some of Sofia's top clubs; *www.seeme-sofia.com.*

BONNAROO: Named best festival by Rolling Stone Magazine, Bonnaroo is a four-day, multi-stage camping festival hosted on a 700-acre farm in Manchester, Tenn. The party gets under way June 12, rain or shine, with dozens of acts such as Pearl Jam, Jack Johnson, Kanye West, Death Cab For Cutie, Tiesto, BB King and Broken Social Scene; *www.bonnaroo.com.*

SUMMER FEST: How about a visit to the world's largest music festival? Summer Fest takes place in Milwaukee June 26 to July 6, with performances by Stevie Wonder, Blondie, Galactic, Alicia Keys, Pat Benatar, Thievery Corporation, Stone Temple Pilots, The Roots and Goldfinger.

SCHLAGERMOVE: Schlagermove festival in Hamburg, Germany, set for July 4-5, attracts some 300,000 participants every year. Picture young and old alike dressed in crazy costumes, singing quirky German songs and drinking copious amounts of booze. During the day, a truck parade includes floats decorated in hippied-out kitsch and everyone parties like it's 1979. Follow the crowd to a series of tents where patrons rock out to retro Schlager classics. Hamburg is all afros and sequins. *www.schlagermove.de.*

FUJI ROCK FESTIVAL: Set in the mountains of northern Japan, Fuji Rock Festival, held July 25-27, hosts both up-and-coming local bands and and high-profile headliners like Underworld and Paul Van Dyk; *www.smash-uk.com/frfo8.*

GLASTONBURY FESTIVAL: The U.K.'s Glastonbury Festival is one of the biggies, claiming to be the largest greenfield music and performing arts festival in the world. From June 27-29, there'll be performances by Leonard Cohen, Jay-Z, Manu Chao, The Verve, John Mayer, Ben Folds, Massive Attack, Groove Armada, Mark Ronson, Xavier Rudd and many more; *www.glastonburyfestivals.co.uk.*

TUSKA OPEN AIR METAL FESTIVAL: If metal — heavy, death or both — is your thing, you'll love the Tuska Open Air Metal Festival. Taking place in Helsinki, Finland from June 27-29, the event will feature 32 bands on three stages; *www.tuska-festival.fi/index_eng.html.*

DISTANT HEAT: Distant Heat is an all-night rave in Jordan's Wadi Rum desert. Held from July 31 to Aug. 1. It features the best of international electronic and dance music in one of the world's most magical and remote locations; *www.distantheat.com.*

READING FESTIVAL: Now in its 20th year, the Reading Festival puts on a wicked show of ska, hardcore, punk and rock. From Aug. 22-24, the 150-act lineup will include The Killers, Rage Against The Machine, Tenacious D and Alexisonfire; *www.readingfestival.com.*

PUKKELPOP: Belgium's Pukkelpop, Aug. 14-16, draws crowds of more than 100,000 people and headliners like The Flaming Lips, Metallica and Miss Kitten & The Hacker; *pukkelpop.be/pp/en.*

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Dressed in outrageous costumes, patrons of the Schlagermove festival in Hamburg, Germany, — above, and below left — rock out each year to retro "Schlager" classics.

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Net the next generation

Employers need new employee retention ideas

By **RAFAEL BRUSILOW**
for Metro Toronto

Young workers today are proving to be a bright yet questioning lot, according to some analysts.

As Canada's baby boomers continue to retire from the workforce, employers are being faced with a daunting challenge — to not only find young talent, but to make sure they stick around as well.

Canadian statistics show about 8.7 million people aged 55 and older live in Canada, 2.7 million of which are nearing retirement soon, a situation that Judy Sweeney, vice-president of research at talent management firm Taleo Corporation, says is likely to exacerbate the rush for young talent.

"As people exit the workforce there aren't enough people to fill those positions. There certainly will be a continuing war for talent," said Sweeney.

Finding young talent is one thing, however; keeping them around is another story entirely.

"The younger generation is very interested with their career path in an industry rather than with a single company. They're jumping from one company to another because they are much better equipped to understand the opportunities in the market," Sweeney said.

Dubbed "Generation Y" by market analysts, younger candidates under the age of 27 have different desires and habits than previous generations and Sweeney says employers need to listen.

"Gen Y-ers are very self-confident, they're very technically savvy and they are a generation that asks the question 'Why?' when told to do something," Sweeney said.

> *« The younger generation is very interested with their career path in an industry rather than with a single company. They're jumping from one company to another because they are much better equipped. »*
>
> *Taleo Corporation's Judy Sweeney*

To retain younger workers, companies have to be willing to change the work environment. Sweeney says Gen Y-ers are accustomed to and prefer collaboration and they love to multi-task, so companies need to take steps to put young talent into teams and make sure they're not stuck doing one thing all the time.

Gen Y-ers are also more plugged into social networks than older generations so Sweeney says many companies are now starting to offer postings and interactive groups on social networking sites like *Facebook.com* and *LinkedIn.com*. Manufacturing giant Proctor & Gamble even offers a game targeted at Gen Y-ers on its recruiting site that assesses teamwork skills in a fun way. It's all part of understanding how younger workers communicate, Sweeney says.

"You have to go to their sources and speak to them in their languages," she said.

When it comes to money, Sweeney says research shows younger talent is less interested in financial rewards and much more interested in career flexibility — both in pursuing career paths and in working more flexible hours. She recounts a story of a computer programmer who refused a raise to instead ask for night-time hours and an easy chair as an example of how traditional approaches might be out of tune with what Gen Y-ers really want.

"Ask them what they want and don't assume they want the same things as older generations. Work evolves from generation to generation, and I think this is a particularly bright and energetic generation," Sweeney said.

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BONUSES: If tied to annual compensation and paid as a matter of course, seldom are bonuses truly optional. Unless a contract provides otherwise, employees cannot be deprived of this pay upon termination. And even where contracts expressly state that bonuses are not payable following termination, court cases have construed that term to mean the date of legal termination, which can be many months following the day that the employee actively ceases work.

FIXED-TERM CONTRACTS: Employees hired to complete a defined task or for a specific term are not entitled to more employment.

NOTICE OF TERMINATION: Every employment contract includes, at a minimum, an implied rule that employees can only be fired with proper notice or severance. But (and in law there is always an exception) if a contract specifically defines some lesser period, even if manifestly unfair, the employee will often be held to that term, as it is the unfortunate bargain that he or she made.

NO CONSTRUCTIVE DISMISSAL: Once employment begins, significant and negative changes to the job are prohibited, without proper advance notice or employee consent. If serious changes, such as location, pay or a demotion, are imposed, the employee may reject them and sue for wrongful dismissal damages. If, however, a cleverly drafted contract can be construed as contemplating the disputed change, the employee may have to accept it.

RESIGNATION: Unless constructive dismissal is asserted, employees cannot simply pack up and leave; notice of resignation must be provided. Just as employers are required to provide reasonable notice that the job will end, employees must do the same. What is reasonable, however, is not judged on how long it would take that employee to replace his or her job, but rather how long should it take the employer to recruit the next candidate.

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In "Law protects employers against unfair competition" published on May 14, 2008, it was reported that Fred Moroz was ordered not to solicit or entice his old clients to join him. However, on April 2, 2008, the B.C. Court of Appeal ruled that Mr. Moroz is not prohibited or restricted in any way whatsoever from soliciting customers of the defendant, Wilson M. Beck Insurance Services Inc., as the matter is scheduled for an appeal.

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"This is our fourth year celebrating the work of the authors who teach in the continuing education writing programs. Nicholas Hoare, the bookstore, is once again our host and we could not ask for a better setting in the heart of the historic St. Lawrence neighbourhood," says Lynne Kurylo from George Brown College. "This year we are featuring our journalism instructors, Gordana Icevska and Ian Darragh, along with our creative writing instructors, to showcase the range and diversity offered in our courses."

The creative writing instructors who will read include Richard Scarsbrook, Emily Schultz, Jay Millar and Caro Soles — award-winning authors who have taken part in previous spring readings hosted by the school and Nicholas Hoare.

The event begins at 6:30 p.m. and admission is free. To reserve a spot, please contact David Hayes at 416-415-5000, ext. 2525. For more information, visit *coned.georgebrown.ca/springreading.*

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»news In Brief

» **JOBS** A new study has indicated that job flexibility is the key to keeping workers happy, productive and loyal to the company. Researchers at Wake Forest University School of Medicine in Winston-Salem, N.C., found that workers who enjoyed more work flexibility were also less likely to say health problems affected their performance at work.

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name » *Ralph Hamelmann*

age » *40*

occupation » *Teacher/psychic*

location » *Yonge and Wellesley*

RALPH HAMELMANN was in the right place at the right time when a friend recommended he get into teaching. Today he teaches the newspaper/magazine editing certificate program at George Brown College. Teaching the night program also gives Hamelmann time to work on other projects like organizing a once-a-month dance night at a local downtown club and teaming up with other psychics for psychic brunch weekends (*psychicbrunch.ca*).

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Christian Bale, left, is to play rebel leader John Connor in three sequels to the Terminator franchise, its producers have revealed.

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dvd rentals/sales

» The most popular DVDs according to Rogers Video for the period ending May 18.

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1 Untraceable
2 P.S. I Love You
3 27 Dresses
4 Mad Money
5 The Golden Compass
6 The Great Debaters
7 Juno
8 Over Her Dead Body
9 I'm Not There
10 Cloverfield

DVD SALES
1 Indiana Jones: The Adventure Collection
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3 Untraceable
4 Happy Feet
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7 I'm Not There
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It's all up to Idol viewers now

Popularity of singer counts, not technicality

ON TV

SANDY CAETANO
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If this competition was actually based on the technicality of the performances of the contestants, David Archuleta would be crowned this year's champion.

But American Idol is a popularity contest. This year's winner will depend on who wowed the viewers more — Archuleta or David Cook.

With three songs each to sing last night, Round 1's songs were chosen by Clive Davis.

Cook sang U2's I Still Haven't Found What I'm Looking For, and though he seemed very nervous at the start, once he started singing all that tension evaporated and he did shine like a star.

Archuleta sang Don't Let The Sun Go Down On Me by Elton John, and stood his ground with another flawless number.

Round 2 had them sing one of two possibilities for the winner's song. Cook's rendition of Dream Big sounded like Harem Scarem or something like that from the '80s or '90s. As good as it was, it wasn't very memorable.

Archuleta sang In This Moment — again, another ballad to get all the pre-pubescent girl's hearts fluttering. There was nothing new, but it was a very strong performance.

The final round was competitor's choice. Singing The World I Know by Collective Soul was Cook, but he mumbled most of the song and lost his edge.

Archuleta re-sung Imagine by John Lennon. It's something we've seen before, but it was amazing.

It may have been the battle of the Davids but in the end it was Goliath — Ruben Studdard — who ended the show with Celebrate Me Home.

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American Idol's David Archuleta, left, and David Cook.

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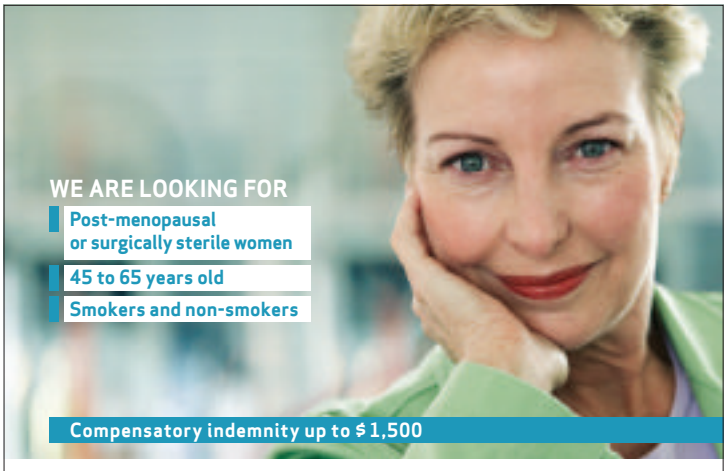

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Photog wins appeal

Assault conviction against Mills reversed

A photographer convicted of assaulting Heather Mills won an appeal yesterday because Mills didn't attend a court hearing.

Jay Kaycappa had been sentenced to 140 hours of community service for allegedly grabbing Mills by her shoulder and taking her photograph in 2006.

A prosecutor told the court in Lewes, England, that Mills, the estranged wife of ex-Beatle Paul McCartney, wasn't available for the hearing, and he believed she was somewhere in the United States.

JOE CORRIGAN/GETTY IMAGES

Heather Mills

However, Judge Richard Brown said he had received a document from a doctor saying Mills was suffering from stress.

Kaycappa had been convicted of assaulting Mills and her friend Mark Payne after encountering them in a pedestrian tunnel. Mills, Payne and two other men were cycling to the south coast city of Brighton at the time.

Mills and McCartney were granted a preliminary decree of divorce last week, and a final decree could be granted by the end of next month.

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Fans mourn original Rush drummer

Fans worldwide are expressing their sorrow over the death of drummer John Rutsey, a co-founding member of the seminal rock band Rush.

Rutsey, who left the group after recording their first album in 1974, died last week in Toronto from complications stemming from a lifelong battle with diabetes. He was 55.

Rutsey co-founded Rush with lead singer Geddy Lee and guitarist Alex Lifeson in 1968, but left the group for health reasons. He was replaced by drummer and lyricist Neil Peart.

On the Rush website, Lee and Lifeson say Rutsey will be deeply missed. The family has requested donations be made in Rutsey's memory to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation.

Online, condolences poured in from fans, with responses to one newspaper notice including messages from Ireland, Australia, Germany, the United States and the United Kingdom.

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Actress Angelina Jolie makes her way to a photocall yesterday for the movie Changeling at the 61st International Cannes Film Festival in Cannes, France.

people

Star Trek's Takei to wed partner

MARRIAGE Star Trek's Mr. Sulu says he will wed his longtime partner and business manager, Brad Altman, now that the California Supreme Court has legalized same-sex marriage.

Actor George Takei, the original Mr. Sulu on the TV show, says on his website that he and Altman are "overjoyed" to be able to legally marry.

movies

Cities shun ads for Sex And The City

CONTROVERSY The Israeli distributor of the soon-to-be-released Sex And The City movie won't be hanging advertising posters and billboards in Jerusalem and Petah Tikva.

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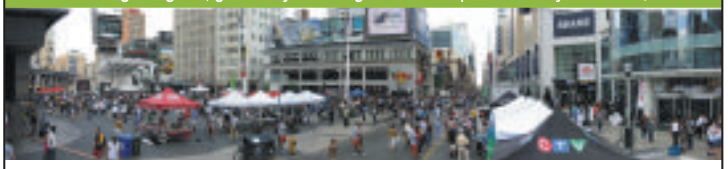

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Bateman reflects on past

Actor says he's not a great son

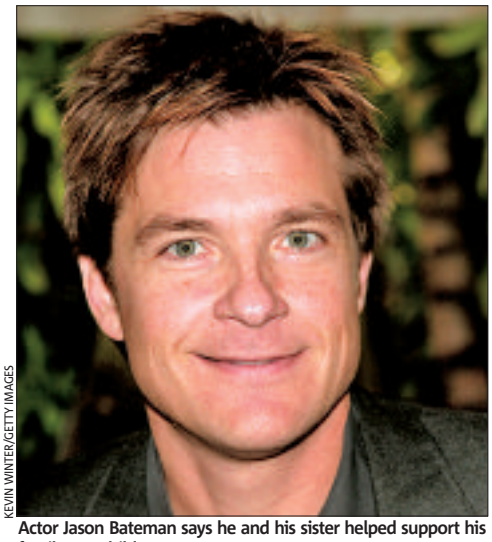
Child stars have it rough with their folks. Just ask Jason Bateman, who says his mom and dad are more like friends than parents.

"I'm not a great brother or uncle or son for that matter," Bateman, who co-stars in the upcoming Will Smith movie Hancock, says in the cover story of the new issue of Best Life magazine. "I don't have this obligatory 'I have to call mom once a week,' because we're just buddies."

Bateman says he and sister, Justine, supported the family with their paycheques from Little House on the Prairie, Family Ties, Silver Spoons and other shows. He fired his father as his manager when he was 20.

Since then, he's had an off-and-on relationship with both his father and mother.

"I don't think there are many people who would say that was a healthy situation," Bateman said.



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Actor Jason Bateman says he and his sister helped support his family as a child actor.

There were some slow years after child stardom for Bateman, now 39, before he starred in the critically acclaimed sitcom Arrested Development.

"I got down to a nine (golf) handicap," said the actor, who appeared in the hit film Juno last year. "The day I became a single-digit, I called my agent and said, 'You have to look harder. I shouldn't be this good at golf."

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awards

Canadian author wins prize

BOOKS Canadian author Lawrence Hill has won the Commonwealth Writers Prize for The Book of Negroes.

Hill, who lives in Burlington, has said he worked for years on the novel, without knowing if he would emerge with a valuable book.

The prize — worth $19,300 — was handed out over the weekend at a literary festival in South Africa.

The Book of Negroes is about a West African woman who is sold into slavery in South Carolina and ultimately returns to Africa.

Meanwhile, Tahmima Anam of Bangladesh won the best first book prize for A Golden Age. Her prize is worth about $10,000.

Hill is set to travel to London for an audience with Queen Elizabeth.

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Searching for answers

Fictional character helps Sarah Slean pen The Baroness

By **ROB MCMAHON**
for Metro Toronto

Now that she's nearing completion of a degree in music and philosophy from the U of T, Sarah Slean has been asked a few times to compare the two fields.

She said both come from the same desire to answer the amazing, spectacular, terrifying questions that pepper our lives. And the characters Slean creates — like the energetic, red-dress-wearing Baroness of her new album — exist to help her grapple with these issues.

"(The Baroness) is spectacular, larger than life — every time she enters a room there's a 13-piece orchestra there," says Slean. "I considered myself shy and too bookish, and at times socially retarded, so (the Baroness) was helpful as a way of being on stage."

The Baroness is the latest album from Sarah Slean.

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Some characters fit precisely within a single song or short story, while others demand more attention. Asked what made the Baroness a larger-than-song figure (she also appears in Tales Of The Baroness, a three-part short film and paintings and poems), Slean said it's not the character itself, which doesn't really fit with the songs. Instead, the goal is to share feelings and experiences through a persona. Comparing her approach to Tom Waits', Slean quoted from his song Cemetery Polka: Uncle Verlin, Uncle Verlin, independent as a hog on ice. He's a big shot down there at the slaughterhouse, plays accordion for Mr. Weiss.

"The Baroness character didn't really seem to fit the songs — she was more vivid and bigger. Then I reconsidered the word 'Baroness' (and came up with) 'Barren-ness,' and that totally captured I think what I was telling," she says. "(Waits is) a master at creating 3-D characters. They really come to life in his songs. I'm not doing that at all — I'm consciously moving away from it."

To gather material, Slean occasionally detaches herself from the everyday. She's embarked to a backwoods cabin during her mid-20s ("the existential crisis everyone seems to have in their 20s," she said) and more recently, to Paris for seven months. The object of these trips isn't escape, but rather an immersion in the temporarily foreign.

"If everything is stripped away ... what it is like to be alive — is it worth it?" she said. "Yes it is — and that's what music is about, what people are singing about."

see Sarah live ...

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IF AT FIRST YOU DON'T SUCCEED: The prime-time post-mortem is in full swing, with more than the usual amount of schadenfreude (that's German for feeling good when other people fail) from TV critics everywhere.

Tim Goodman of the San Francisco Chronicle looked back at the dying season and its casualties and came up with a bit of 20/20 hindsight on how the networks could have saved their more notable failures. The biggest problem, in Goodman's opinion, was an identity crisis that overcame the networks this year, who seemed to have forgotten just what they were good at, and tried to compete with each other on unfamiliar turf. To wit, Fox's Back To You might have fared better on CBS — conventional wisdom at this point — and the CW's Aliens In America would have been a better fit on Fox. ABC's Miss Guided might have stood a chance on either NBC or Fox, but Viva Laughlin, which bombed on CBS, probably wouldn't have survived anywhere, since there's no precedent for a musical succeeding on prime time at all — did no one learn from Cop Rock?

One of the season's failures that seems to have already been forgotten is Quarterlife, the sitcom that NBC took from the web to prime time and ditched when it failed to thrive. There was a flurry of defiantly positive press leading up to the show's prime-time premiere, anticipating web-developed shows as the way of the future, creatively and financially, but since Quarterlife proved to have the half-life of a tuna melt on a dock, we haven't heard much in the same vein since. Which is why ABC's decision to pick up In The Motherhood for a mid-season debut is so surprising. I hadn't heard of it until Silicon Valley Insider ran a piece on the show's good fortune, but the sitcom has been pulling respectable numbers for its 7-minute online episodes — 16 million streaming downloads of the second season so far, compared to Quarterlife's measly few million.

Goodman, in his post-mortem piece, says ABC's Cavemen was probably doomed from the start, since "making a sitcom out of an insurance commercial just rubbed everyone the wrong way," so it remains to be seen how Motherhood, which was co-developed by Suave toiletries and Sprint, will win over audiences. The show, an acidly observational take on modern parenting starring Jenny McCarthy and Leah Remini, is definitely better-written than Quarterlife, if only for the offhanded observation that fanny packs emasculate men quicker than a mishap with a weed whacker. The Insider piece was optimistic about the shows' chances, pointing out it has two name stars, will air on a network known for women's programming, and "is targeted at a demographic that still watches plenty of television: 30-something moms." It also costs a mere $40,000 US a minute to produce, "cheap by TV standards but astronomical for a web series."

By this point, however, shows should probably be migrating from TV to web, not the other way around, but getting the networks to see this is like getting water to run uphill.

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	215	343	4	OMN1	Two/Half Men	The Simpsons	News (N)		Vivere Il	News (N)	The Simpsons	King of the Hill	Metropia
	210	302	6	CBC	Just-Gags	NHL Hockey: Western Conference Final Game 7 -- Stars at Red Wings					CBC News: The National		The Hour
	214	344	7	CITY	Friends	Hollywood	Make Me a Supermodel		Rock of Love-Bret Michaels		2Half Men	2Half Men	News (N)
	212	313	8	CTV	Criminal Minds "Lo-Fi"		American Idol The winner is announced.				CSI: NY "Hostage" (N)		News (N)
	218	345	11	CH	The Insider (N)	E! News	Deal or No Deal		To Be Announced		Stunt Stars		News (N)
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	-	-	14	-	Law & Order: SVU		News (N)		News (N)		King	King	Cold Case
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	-	387	16	CBS	Inside Edition	Hollywood	Price Is Right Spectacular		Criminal Minds "Lo-Fi"		CSI: NY "Hostage" (N)		News (N)
	-	385	17	NBC	The Insider (N)	Entertainment	Law & Order "Tango"		Law & Order "Betrayal"		Law & Order "Excalibur"		News (N)
	-	386	18	ABC	Wheel-Fortune	Jeopardy! (N)	Lost Kate and Juliet must work together to save Jack.				Boston Legal (N)		News
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	-	-	28	FOX	Judge Judy (N)	Two/Half Men	American Idol The winner is announced.				Seinfeld	Two/Half Men	The Simpsons
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	296	654	331	SBK	Wheel-Fortune	Jeopardy! (N)	Dr. Phil		News (N)	Jeopardy!	Frasier	Frasier	Cheers
	298	653	332	TLA	Reba	Reba	My Wife-Kids	According-Jim	Family Guy	Family Guy	Two/Half Men	Two/Half Men	Farmer-Wife
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	509	504	79	CNB	Kudlow & Company		Fast Money		American Greed		The Big Idea With Deutsch		Mad Money
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	625	548	44	COM	Air Farce	22 Minutes	Laughs	Corner Gas	The Simpsons	South Park	Lewis Black	Reno 911!	Daily Show
	600	564	46	H&G	House Hunters	Buy Me	Hid Potential	House Worth?	Property Virgin	Big City Broker	Unsellable	Buy Me	Open House
	294	529	47	TBS	Family Guy	Family Guy	The Bourne Supremacy ★★★ (2004, Suspense)				Frasier	Seinfeld	Friends
	576	582	49	BET	106 & Park	The Boot	Access	College Hill	Iron Ring	The Wire "Know Your Place"			The Boot
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	305	612	306	PIX	(6:40) Murder by Decree ★★★ (1979, Mystery)				Below ★★ (2002, Suspense) Matthew Davis.				A Girl Is a Girl

critics' corner

Indiana Jones and the Last Crusade
"Dad!" "What?" "Dad!" "What?" In the installment where viewers learned Indiana was the family dog's name, Indy and his father (Harrison Ford, Sean Connery) search for the Holy Grail, carry on with attractive women and save the world from the armies of darkness. River Phoenix plays the young Indy in the action-crammed prologue, and Alison Doody co-stars in the 1989 blockbuster. 8 PM on GTV

Lost
Missed anything? Here's a doubleheader of episodes that aired earlier this month to get you ready for next week's season finale. In "Something Nice Back Home," Kate and Juliet (Evangeline Lilly, Elizabeth Mitchell) must set aside their differences to help an ailing Jack (Matthew Fox). In "Cabin Fever," Locke (Terry O'Quinn) learns the location of Jacob's cabin. Josh Holloway, Emilie de Ravin and Ken Leung also star. 8 PM on ABC ACH-B

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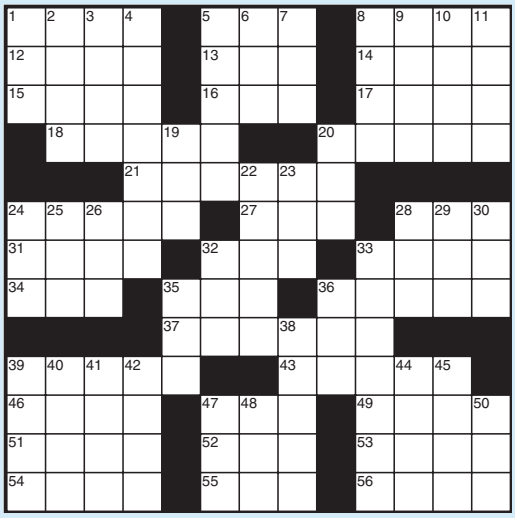

down »

1 Mooch
2 Heavy burden
3 Like cheesecake
4 Breathed out
5 Mannequin
6 Yale athlete
7 — Montgomery of jazz
8 Bride's purchase
9 White wader
10 Type of jacket
11 Bug repellent
19 Groove
20 Snake River loc.
22 Mild onions
23 Festive night
24 Vitality
25 Top-rated
26 — and Perrins (steak sauce)
28 Contractor's figure
29 Byron work
30 Univ. degrees
32 Miss Piggy's refusal
33 In a snit
35 Pollen spreader
36 In days gone by
38 Norwegian playwright
39 Kind of portrait
40 Small combo
41 Curved molding
42 Dowels
44 Garr of "Tootsie"
45 Masculine principle
47 Axiom
48 Muhammad —
50 Lawyer's thing

across »

1 Long-winded one
5 Plaintive cry
8 Apply gold leaf
12 DOS alternative
13 Bullfight yell
14 Drama award
15 A lot
16 Insult, slangily
17 Any Mrs.
18 Divvy up
20 Map detail
21 Soothed
24 Parking attendant
27 — Marie Saint
28 Float along
31 Sealed a deal
32 Once named
33 Met role
34 Drop — — line
35 — choy
36 Llama habitat
37 Naval officer
39 Boutique
43 Plunder
46 Syllogism word
47 Vegas lead-in
49 Once around the sun
51 Committed perjury
52 Frothy brew
53 Type of eagle
54 Opposing sides
55 End up ahead
56 Burrows

previous answer

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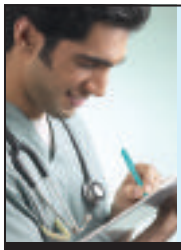

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ARIES | March 21-April 20
A reliable friend causes anxiety. Contact is made with those who care. All will be well in the end if you do your share of work.

TAURUS | April 21-May 21
Fragments of the truth will disturb you. A field trip is a fine way to spend time. A bad deal gets smoothed out the easy way.

GEMINI | May 22-June 21
Someone is caught being rude and self-centred. Refuse to take on disputes with others. Don't take anything personally.

CANCER | June 22-July 22
A tyrant insists on following protocol. Concentrate on going full-steam-ahead. Tell an amusing story to a decision maker.

LEO | July 23-Aug. 23
You have the ability to see the future. The best thing will happen if you keep your eyes open. A raving showdown is exciting to watch.

VIRGO | Aug. 24-Sept. 22
Pushiness sets the tone for the day. A static situation is at an end. A head-trip can be avoided by going off alone.

LIBRA | Sep. 23-Oct. 23
A silent co-worker knows what happiness is. Someone's quiet rebellion is disturbing. Your expectations of others are too high.

SCORPIO | Oct. 24- Nov. 22
An accident leads to a passionate debate. Financial needs arise with urgency. Rage results from making a resolution.

SAGITTARIUS | Nov. 23- Dec. 21
A security concern is raised by a worker with money problems. A discovery leads to disbelief. Going away is an excellent option.

CAPRICORN | Dec. 22-Jan. 20
An achiever must have a good time. You'll understand the meaning of loyalty. Let your heart and mind work together.

AQUARIUS | Jan. 21-Feb. 18
Good news will come your way. A woman comments on someone's dreams. Share your feelings with a trustworthy person.

PISCES | Feb. 19-Mar. 20
A suggestion for therapy will wreak havoc. Learn from those who live with integrity. Make inquiries before responding. -AVATAR VENUS

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instructions »

The digits 1 through 9 will appear exactly once in each row, and each column, and each zone. (A zone is an outlined 3x3 grid within the larger puzzle grid. There are nine of these zones in the puzzle.) Do not enter a digit into a box if it already appears elsewhere in the same 3x3 zone, or in the same row across the puzzle, or column down the puzzle.

solve time »

Under 13 minutes	Genius
13-17 minutes	Scholar
17-21	Smart
21-25	Pretty good
More than 25	Keep practising

previous answer

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This Day IN HISTORY

May 21, 1851: Abolition of slavery in Colombia, South America.

May 21, 1881: The American Red Cross is established by Clara Barton.

May 21, 1917: Great Atlanta fire of 1917.

May 21, 1945: United States screen legend Humphrey Bogart marries actress Lauren Bacall.

May 21, 1972: Michelangelo's Pietà, in St. Peter's Basilica in Rome, is damaged by a vandal.

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Temperature
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Low: 7.2°

Records
High: 32.2°/1941
Low: -0.6°/1967

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Moonrise: 10:48 p.m.

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What caused Shania breakup?

What caused the sudden breakup of Shania Twain and her husband, music producer Robert "Mutt" Lange, after 14 years of marriage? His relationship with another woman, say several sources.

After the separation was announced in a statement, Lange called the split "an unfortunate thing," People.com reports. He added, "It's literally just a growing apart, that's all."

But sources close to the situation say a third party was involved: Marie-Anne Thiébaud, a longtime secretary and manager of the couple's chateau in Switzerland. "Mutt and Marie-Anne left their spouses for each other and are still in a relationship," says one source.

Lange denies the claims. "It's absolutely not the reason [for the separation]," the famously reclusive producer told People magazine when asked about the alleged affair.

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Kiefer is officially single

Kiefer Sutherland is officially single – he has finalized his divorce four years after filing for a legal separation from his wife Elizabeth, imdb.com reports. The couple split in 1999. The divorce was made official in Los Angeles Superior Court on Friday.

The 24 star initially filed for divorce, citing irreconcilable differences. His ex will now drop Sutherland from her name.

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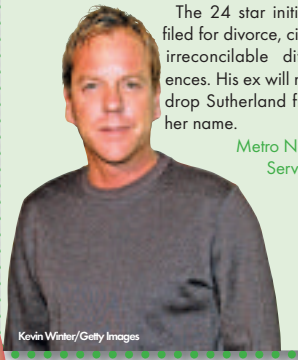

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Taking time off is risky: Paltrow

Gwyneth Paltrow says that taking time off to be mother to daughter Apple, now 4, and son Moses, 2, made her feel forgotten by Hollywood, People.com reports.

In Cannes to promote Two Lovers, in which she co-stars with Joaquin Phoenix, the Shakespeare in Love Oscar winner, 35, expanded upon a comment made by Jodie Foster, who noted that Hollywood has a short memory.

"I really did not know if there would be a place for me," said Paltrow. "Jodie Foster was right, especially if you are a woman and especially if you are not 25. Hollywood is pretty cutthroat, and everybody has a short memory. There is always someone who is younger or hotter or prettier."

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Lohan facing lawsuit

The fur fuss swirling around Lindsay Lohan has gone legal – the actress has been slapped with a lawsuit for taking a coat without permission, imdb.com reports.

Masha Markova claims the star took her $12,000 US mink coat as she left a New York club at the end of a night out in January. The New York student has filed papers in Manhattan's state Supreme Court.

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Ready for marriage?

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Justin Timberlake has made it through a pair of high-profile, long-term relationships – with Cameron Diaz and Britney Spears, respectively – without ponying up a diamond ring, but a British tabloid is convinced he's preparing to present a sparkler to Jessica Biel, his under-the-radar girlfriend of just over a year, MSN Entertainment reports.

"Justin is 27 and thinking about marriage and kids," a source alleges to the London Sun. "For the first time in his life he is feeling settled and has definitely decided to pop the question to Jessica. He is so happy with her."

The tab even has a locale picked out for the putative "I do's" – the Caribbean island of Mustique.

"Although Justin has lived his whole life in the public eye, he feels his wedding is the one day that should remain private," blabs the snitch. "To get all his close friends and family to Mustique will cost a fortune. But he can't put a price on how he feels about Jessica."

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Jessica and Tony appear subdued

Jessica Simpson made a very public show of togetherness with Tony Romo at sister Ashlee's "Alice In Wonderland"-themed weekend knot-tying with Pete Wentz, but it did little to quell rampant rumours that their six-month-old romance is on the rocks, MSN Entertainment reports.

Further fuelling talk of trouble: Us says the unlucky-in-love blond, 27, was sans her quarterback beau when she jetted off to Cabo San Lucas, Mexico, on Sunday with her parents.

The Texas twosome's appearance at the wedding regrettably took some of the focus off the bride, who is believed to be about four months along with a Fall Out Boy-spawned bundle of joy.

"Jessica did not look happy the entire night," a guest tattles to E! News. "She just wasn't her bubbly self. She was very subdued and she and Tony barely interacted the entire night, except for some dancing at the end."

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Victoria set for TV

Victoria Beckham is set to return to Ugly Betty, femalefirst.co.uk reports.

The former Spice Girl will be making regular appearances on the hit U.S. TV show, about Mode fashion magazine, after impressing bosses with her cameo last year.

A series insider said: "The producers are delighted she will return. She is going to feature quite a bit."

When she appeared as herself in an episode last year, Victoria was locked in a cupboard by publishing executive Wilhelmina Slater.

The role is Victoria's latest venture into acting.

She is also set to star in Alan Partridge: The Movie.

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Diaz describes 'ideal guy' to In Style

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Cameron Diaz, who has dated both Justin Timberlake and John Mayer, opens up to the June issue of In Style about the kind of guy she's looking to spend quality time with, MSN Entertainment reports.

"I'm not going to bring some idiot into my world, and if I'm not sure about him, I'm cautious," she tells the mag. "My list is all about balance. You can have smart but not funny. You can have funny but not very smart. You can have intellectual but not social. But ... I want it all! I love big brains. I love to eat. I love to be outdoors. I love to have conversations! I love to make love. I live like, 'Aarrrgh!'"

OK, Cam, take a deep, calming breath.

"I don't do anything half-assed," she continues, "and I want somebody who can keep up with all that. And I want someone who can show me something, you know?"

As long as he's not overly man-scaped. "I love chest hair," reveals Diaz. "Mmhmm. I'm not saying I want a huge amount, but the right amount is very sexy. I don't like the smooth, hairless body."

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